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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

COLUMN 1

Line 10, "well" should read --well as--.

COLUMN 2

Line 41, "potion" should read --portion--.

COLUMN 9

Line 7, "stop" should read --step--.

COLUMN 14

Line 2, "protrusion 108b1." should read --protrusion 108b1.

The guided member 108d is attached to the protrusion 108b1 in a manner to sandwich the protrusion 108b1 with the top and bottom sides of the snap fitting portion 108d2. Therefore, the guide member 108d does not become loose relative to the protrusion 108b1.--.

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